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WEINBERGER INTERVIEW

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Are you familiar with the British defense magazine publication over the weekend that suggested the KAL-007 was actually on an intelligence mission, I suppose, concocted by the United States as initially offered by the Russians at the time of the incident? WEINBERGER: What's happened, apparently, is that this British magazine, whatever it is -- I've never heard of it--has picked up lock, stock and barrel the, the total set of lies that the Soviet Union published after the Korean airliner was shot down. There is absolutely nothing remotely resembling any kind of spy mission that that plane was on. It was a commercial airliner, and they've been trying ever since desperately to hide the fact that they've murdered 269 people without the slightest provocation whatsoever. This British defense magazine, whatever it is, is simply repeating a story that the Soviets put out almost word for word when it was quite apparent to them that they could not hide from the world the fact that they engaged in this cold-blooded murder.

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